SUBJECT No. 429.

A portion of the Shikarpur taluk to be transferred to the jurisdiction of the Shimoga Munsiff's Court.

Mr. Srinivasa Dikshit, Shikarpur taluk; and Mr. Bhavani Rao, Shikarpur Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—A large portion of the Shikarpur taluk is situated nearer to Shimoga than to Sagar. Journey to Sagar especially in the rainy season is very inconvenient to the more distant villages of the taluk situated on the borders of the Honnali taluk. It is prayed that the Hosur and Shikarpur hoblis and Salur magani of the taluk may be transferred from the jurisdiction of the Sagar Munsiff's Court to that of the Shimoga Munsiff's Court.

Reply of Government.—Only possible if an additional Munsiff's Court is established at Shimoga.

SUBJECT No. 430.

Extension of the Anglo-Vernacular School at Shikarpur.

Messrs. Srinivasa Dikshit, Shikarpur taluk; and Bhavani Rao, Shikarpur Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—This building is quite insufficient for the large number of pupils attending it. It is prayed that steps may be taken for the extension of the building and that till that is sanctioned and completed, the primary classes may be caused to be held in a rented building.

Reply of Government.—Will be referred to the Inspector-General of Education.

SUBJECT No. 431.

Repairing the tank of the Begur inam village.

Messrs. Srinivasa Dikshit, Shikarpur taluk; and Bhavani Rao, Shikarpur Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—The Begur inam village was a sarvamanya village previous to 1870 and has been an *ardhamanya* village since then. The large tank which is the main source of irrigation to the wet lands of this village is in disrepair. It is prayed that its repairs may be undertaken at an early date, from the irrigation cess collected from this village till now, amounting to Rs. 2,680, and the amount of contribution recovered from the ryots. In 1895 we applied for a refund of the money levied as contribution, as it was decided that the Inamdars should carryout the work. But no action has been taken on this. The amount may be refunded and a loan granted for carrying out the work.

Reply of Government.—Will be enquired into.

SUBJECT No. 432.

A tank near Ambligolla.

Messrs. Srinivasa Dikshit, Shikarpur taluk; and Bhavani Rao, Shikarpur Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—When this subject was mooted last year, it was stated that it would be referred to the Public Works Department for needful. As nothing has been done by the Public Works department as yet the matter is resubmitted. The work is a useful one and may be kindly taken up early.

Reply of Government.—Under consideration.

SUBJECT No. 433.

Bridging the Kumudvati river on the Shikarpur-Ambligolla road.

Messrs. Srinivasa Dikshit, Shikarpur taluk, and Bhavani Rao, Shikarpur Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—An estimate for this work is said to be under preparation in the Public Works Department. It is prayed that the work may be taken up early as it is necessary for facility of traffic between Shikarpur and Sagar. About 5 or 6 hundred carts pass over the bridge every day for 8 months and the levy of tolls will yield a substantial amount.

Reply of Government.—Noted. The bridge is estimated to cost about Rs. 90,000 and there are more urgent works to be taken up. A causeway at a cheap cost will serve the purpose at present and this will be considered.

SUBJECT NO. 434.

The Shikarpur-Masur road.

Messrs. Srinivasa Dikshit, Shikarpur taluk; and Bhavani Rao, Shikarpur Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—An estimate of this work is said to have been prepared by the Public Works Department. When the subject was mooted last year, it was said that the work would be included in the budget of 1910-11. As nothing has been yet done in the matter, it is prayed that early action may be taken for the commencement of the work.

Reply of Government.—The question is under consideration.

SUBJECT NO. 435.

Construction of a dam near Anjanpur across the Kumudvati river.

Messrs. Srinivasa Dikshit, Shikarpur taluk; and Bhavani Rao, Shikarpur Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—The construction of a dam across the Kumudvati river for facility of irrigation is being pressed for the past several years. The work will benefit about 20 or 25 villages. As the work will be a remunerative one to Government, it is prayed that its construction may be taken up early. The ryots of the villages to be benefited by the project have promised to pay Rs. 10,000 annually in the shape of land revenue, when the project is completed.

Reply of Government.—A new project for constructing a reservoir at Chordi is being investigated by the Public Works Department as the site originally selected is unsuitable and the matter will be expedited.

SUBJECT NO. 436.

Reduction of seigniorage on fuel in the Gangavvanasara State Forest in the Shikarpur taluk.

Messrs. Srinivasa Dikshit, Shikarpur taluk; and Bhavani Rao, Shikarpur Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—A seigniorage of four annas per cart-load is at present levied on dry fuel in the Gangavvanasara State Forest. As this rate is very high to ryots who require wood from the forest for boiling sugarcane juice, it is prayed that the rate may be reduced to 2 annas per cart-load.

Reply of Government.—Will be enquired into.

SUBJECT NO. 437.

Reduction of hulbanni rates.

Mr. Srinivasa Dikshit, Shikarpur taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The prevailing rates of hulbanni, *viz.*, 4 annas and 8 annas per head in the State Forest of the Shikarpur taluk, may be reduced to 1 anna and 2 annas per head, as the present rates are felt to be very heavy by the poorer classes of ryots.

Reply of Government.—Cannot be done.

SUBJECT NO. 438.

Repairs to Sankarikoppa tank in the Sorab taluk.

Mr. Bhaskara Rao, Sorab taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The Sankarikoppa-Arsikere tank is a major tank for the repairs of which a contribution of Rs. 1,500 has been paid by the ryots. It is prayed that this work may be taken on hand and completed early.

Reply of Government.—Will be enquired into.